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16 June 1954

REFERENCE SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON  
FOREIGN LANGUAGE PUBLICATIONS

Minutes of Meeting held in the OSI Conference Room, 1514 M Building,  
Washington, D. C., 100-1145 hours.

PRESENT:

Mr. Arthur B. Berthold, IR, State  
Mr. Lewis M. Bright, IR, State  
Mr. Fred W. Shipman, IR, State, Member  
Mr. Howard Penniman, ERS, State  
Captain Robert C. Laidlaw, AFOIN, Member  
Lt. Col. George G. Maxfield, G-2, Doc. Ly., Member  
Major Kent J. Collings, G-2, Doc. Ly.  
Major O. Mitchell, G-2, Doc. Ly.  
Miss Monica H. Kaech, G-2, Doc. Ly.  
Mr. Walter E. Larson, ONI  
Mr. F. W. Simpson, AEC

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CIA Librarian, Chairman

Approval of Minutes

1. The minutes of the meeting of 19 May 1954 (RS-M-12) were approved.

Chairman, Advisory Committee on Foreign Language Publications

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2. [REDACTED] announced that [REDACTED] has been 25X1A9a  
appointed Chairman of the Advisory Committee, vice [REDACTED]. 25X1A9a  
The position of Chairman is to be rotated in the intelligence-producing  
offices of the CIA Deputy Director (Intelligence).

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New CIA Library Publications

3. Collection Guide No. 1. Chinese Communist (Mainland) Serial Publications. Part I: Periodicals (as of 15 April 1954), SECRET, has been produced to improve procurement of these materials. In addition, it serves as a reference tool in listing what is available in the CIA Library Chinese periodical collection. Part II - Newspapers, is expected to be issued in July or August.

Russian Book List, No. 1, April 1954, is intended as a current supplementary reference aid to the Monthly List of Russian Accessions published by the Library of Congress. It covers books and monographs published in the USSR which have been received in Washington during the month from the Foreign Service Publications Procurement Officers in Moscow, Paris, and Berlin.

Government-Sponsored External Research

4. Mr. Howard Penniman, Chief, External Research Staff, described the reporting program relative to government-sponsored external research. The ERS quarterly and annual reports of research in progress, suspended, or completed have been prepared to aid policy and research officials in planning the total government research effort on foreign areas and psychological warfare fields and identify specific projects on subjects of particular interest to them. From these reports it is possible to determine existing duplication and overlap in the government-sponsored research effort and to identify the various government social science research organizations and to learn of their programs.

ERS obtains the appropriate data from all agencies which have research or intelligence responsibilities or which maintain research programs to support their operations. These data include only research conducted by private groups and individuals on contract with government agencies and research conducted by one government agency for another on a transfer-of-funds basis. The ordinary internal research programs of intelligence agencies are not included.

In addition ERS follows the research activities in the major academic and private institutions and foundations. These activities are cataloged in a Central Research File by subject, area, institution, etc. for reference use of government research analysts and collection personnel. Reports of private research in progress are issued annually.

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At the suggestion of [REDACTED] Mr. Penniman agreed to consider 25X1A9a producing the ERS annual report on government-sponsored external research in two parts — one part to be devoted to research in progress, and the other to research completed. The index will be expanded to include more detail. Further, it was suggested that the State Department Library file one copy of each report cited by ERS in their program. These reports would then be available through interlibrary loan for interested researchers.

5. G-2 Library will be host at the next meeting of the Reference Subcommittee, the time and place to be announced later.

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Secretary  
Reference Subcommittee

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